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IN THE YEAR 20XX, A SUPER ROBOT NAMED MEGA MAN HAS PLEDGED TO STOP THE EVIL DESIRES OF DR. WILY AND PROTECT THE WORLD. MEGA MAN NOW FIGHTS ALONGSIDE HIS FELLOW ROBOT MASTERS TO DEFEAT THE FORCES OF EVIL!

MEGA MAN™



PREVIOUSLY...



Mega Man was not Dr. Light's first attempt at building a super fighting robot. Years ago, Dr. Light built a prototype robot named Blues as part of a military contract to help fund his lab. Light counted this first robot as his "son," and when a training accident and faulty power core nearly destroyed Blues, Light resolved to repair the young robot's inner mechanisms. Blues was afraid the fix would erase who he was and left Light Labs out of self-preservation. Dr. Light's regret over that loss seems to haunt him to this day.

Meanwhile, Dr. Wily has now, unbeknownst to Mega Man, retreated to the Amazon Jungle, where a mysterious new presence called "Ra Moon" has made itself known to the evil genius. Wily has channeled its strange power into building an army of Robot Masters. And then none-other-than Blues emerged from the jungle!

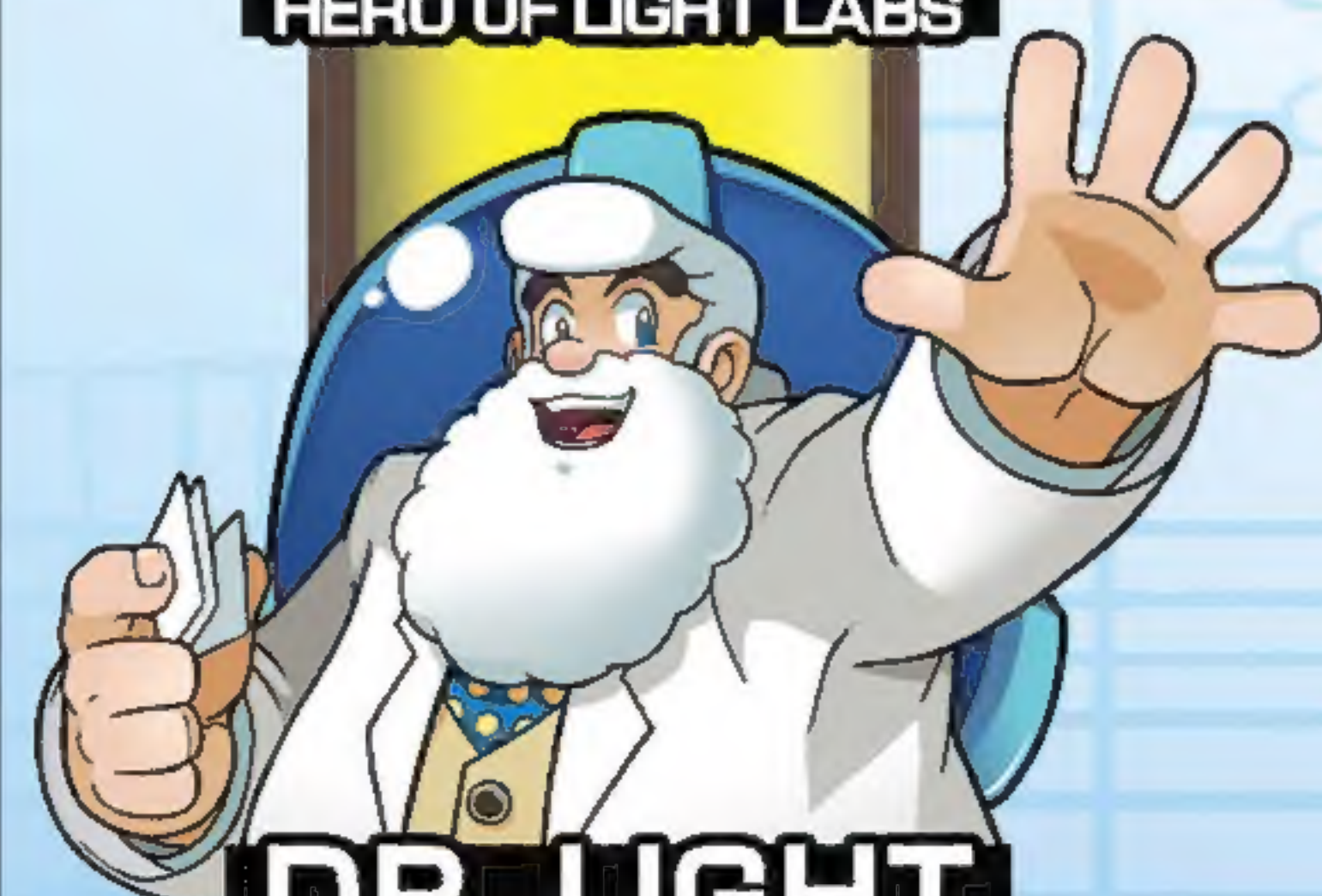
Now dubbed "Break Man," Blues stands at Dr. Wily's side, watching the heroes of Light Labs and his "brother," Mega Man, waiting for the perfect time to strike...



CHARACTER SELECT



MEGA MAN
HERO OF LIGHT LABS



DR. LIGHT
ROBOTICS GENIUS



DR. WILY
EVIL GENIUS



BREAK MAN
MEGA MAN'S RENEGADE BROTHER

FOR THE BOT WHO HAS EVERYTHING

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LIGHT LABS...

IT'S FINE, AUTO. IF IT GETS ANY SHINIER, YOU'LL HAVE TO RE-NAME ME "BRIGHT MAN" OR SOMETHING.

THIS IS YOUR BIG DAY!

YOU.

MUST.

LOOK.

PERFECT.

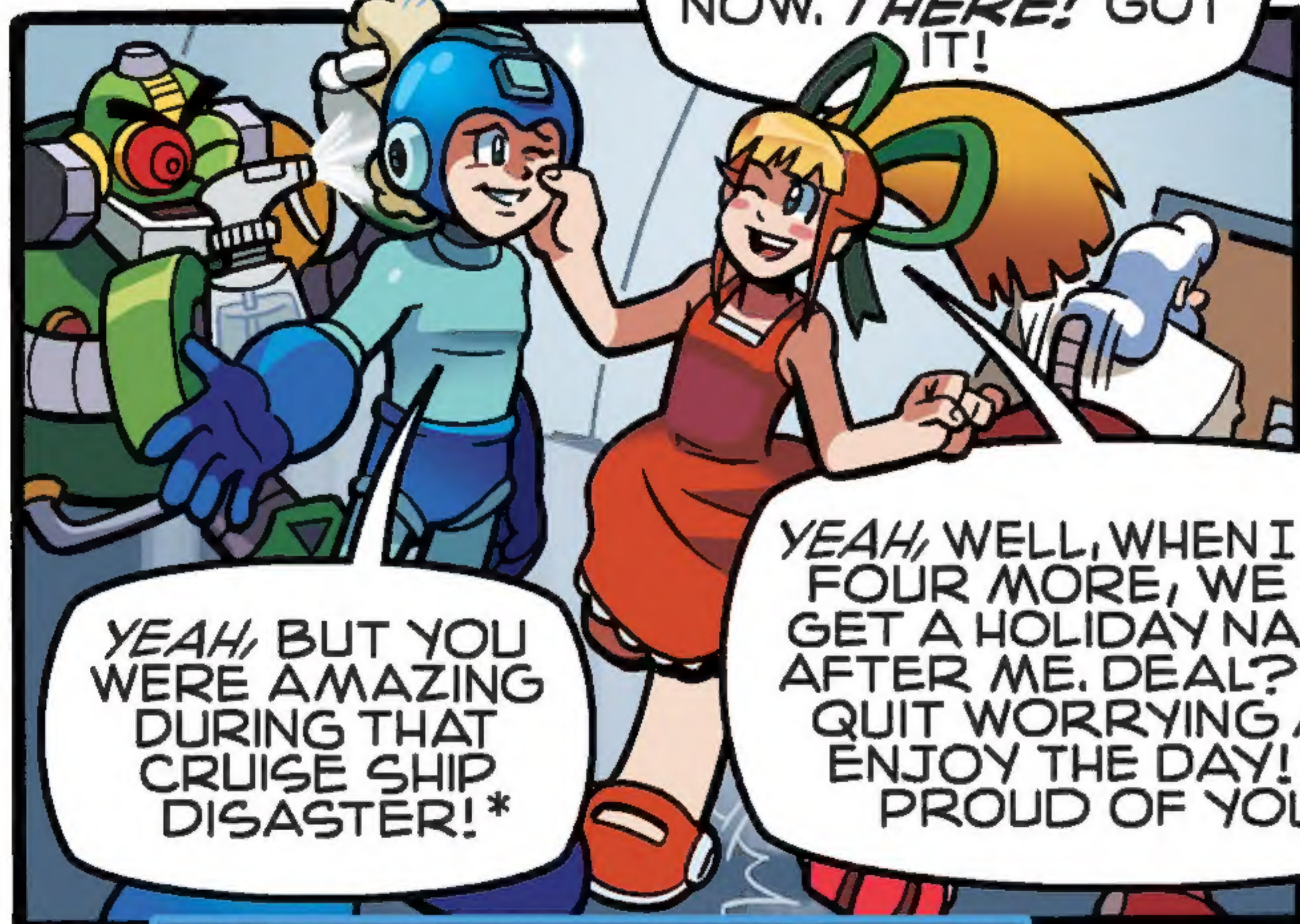
ACTUALLY, MEGA MAN, DR. COSSACK WAS DESIGNING A ROBOT MASTER CALLED...

SHUSH! I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO YOUR TIE, BUT I WILL FIX IT!



I FEEL A LITTLE BAD...

...THAT THE CITY IS THROWING A BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR ME, BUT NOT FOR YOU, ROLL.



OH, PLEASE! YOU STOPPED DR. WILY THREE TIMES, AND THE EMERALD SPEARS TWICE. YOU'RE FAMOUS NOW. *THERE!* GOT IT!

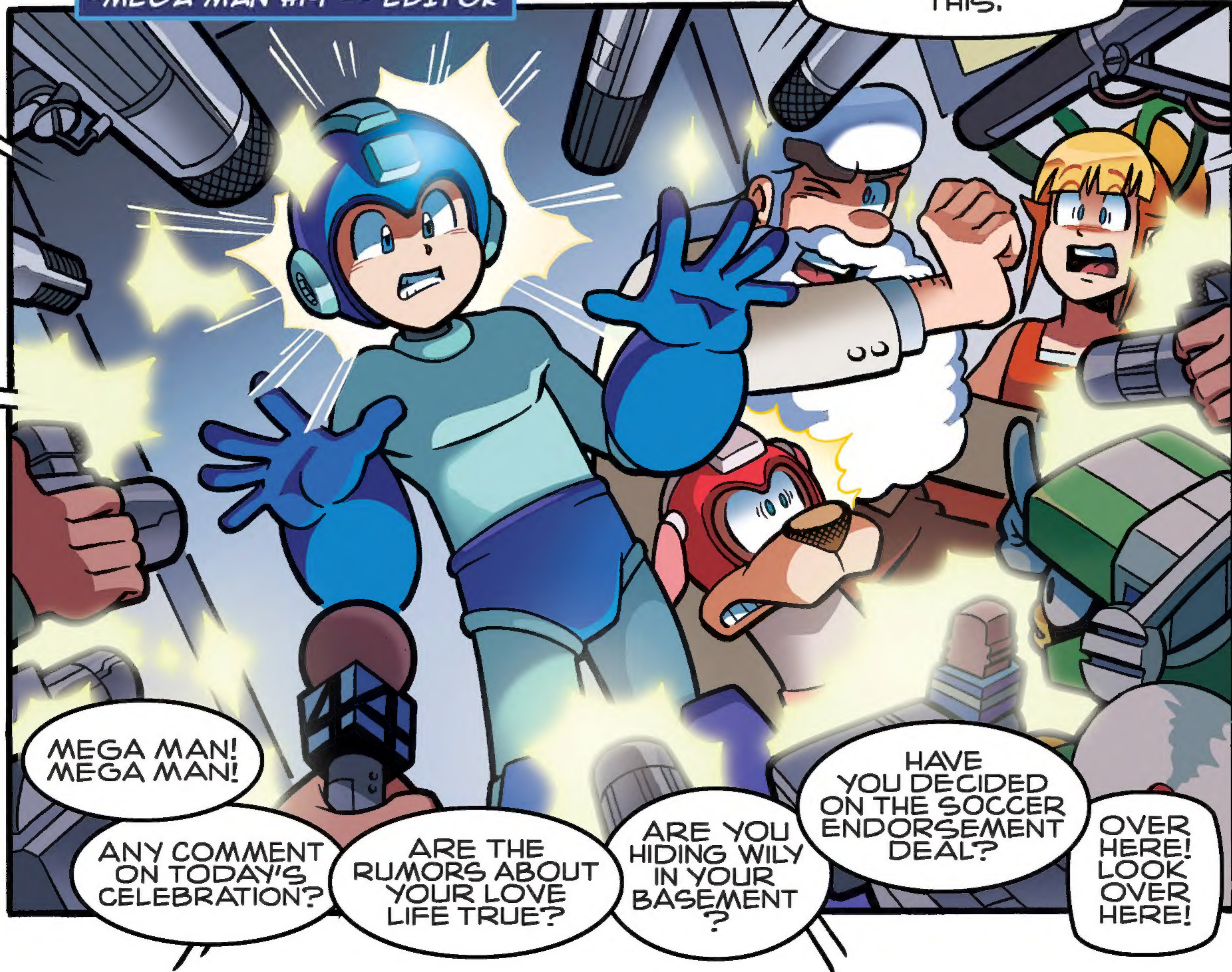
YEAH, BUT YOU WERE AMAZING DURING THAT CRUISE SHIP DISASTER!*

YEAH, WELL, WHEN I SAVE FOUR MORE, WE CAN GET A HOLIDAY NAMED AFTER ME. DEAL? NOW QUIT WORRYING AND ENJOY THE DAY! I'M PROUD OF YOU!



ALL RIGHT, IT'S THREE METERS TO THE TRUCK. STAY CALM AND JUST KEEP WALKING FORWARD. WE CAN DO THIS.

*MEGA MAN #19 -- EDITOR



MEGA MAN! MEGA MAN!

ANY COMMENT ON TODAY'S CELEBRATION?

ARE THE RUMORS ABOUT YOUR LOVE LIFE TRUE?

ARE YOU HIDING WILY IN YOUR BASEMENT?

HAVE YOU DECIDED ON THE SOCCER ENDORSEMENT DEAL?

OVER HERE! LOOK OVER HERE!

TEMPLE OF THE MOON--
AMAZON
JUNGLE...

...CURRENTLY OUTSIDE
LIGHT LABS, HOME OF
DR. THOMAS LIGHT AND
HIS MOST FAMOUS
CREATION... MEGA
MAN!

WE'RE JUST HOURS
AWAY FROM THE BIG
CELEBRATION DOWN-
TOWN COMMEMORAT-
ING THIS WORLD-WIDE
DARLING ROBOT'S
ACTIVATION!
I'LL SEE IF I CAN GET A
COMMENT FROM THE
BIRTHDAY BOT HIMSELF!

HMPH!

MEGA MAN!
MEGA MAN!

YOU'VE SAVED THE
CITY FROM DISASTER
TIME AND AGAIN!
ANY WORDS FOR YOUR
ADORING CROWD?

UM... AH...
THANKS, I
GUESS?

HAHA--I DUNNO.
I'M JUST HAPPY
TO HELP, AND IT'S
REALLY NICE
EVERYONE IS SO
SUPPORTIVE OF ME,
SO...YEAH! THANKS!

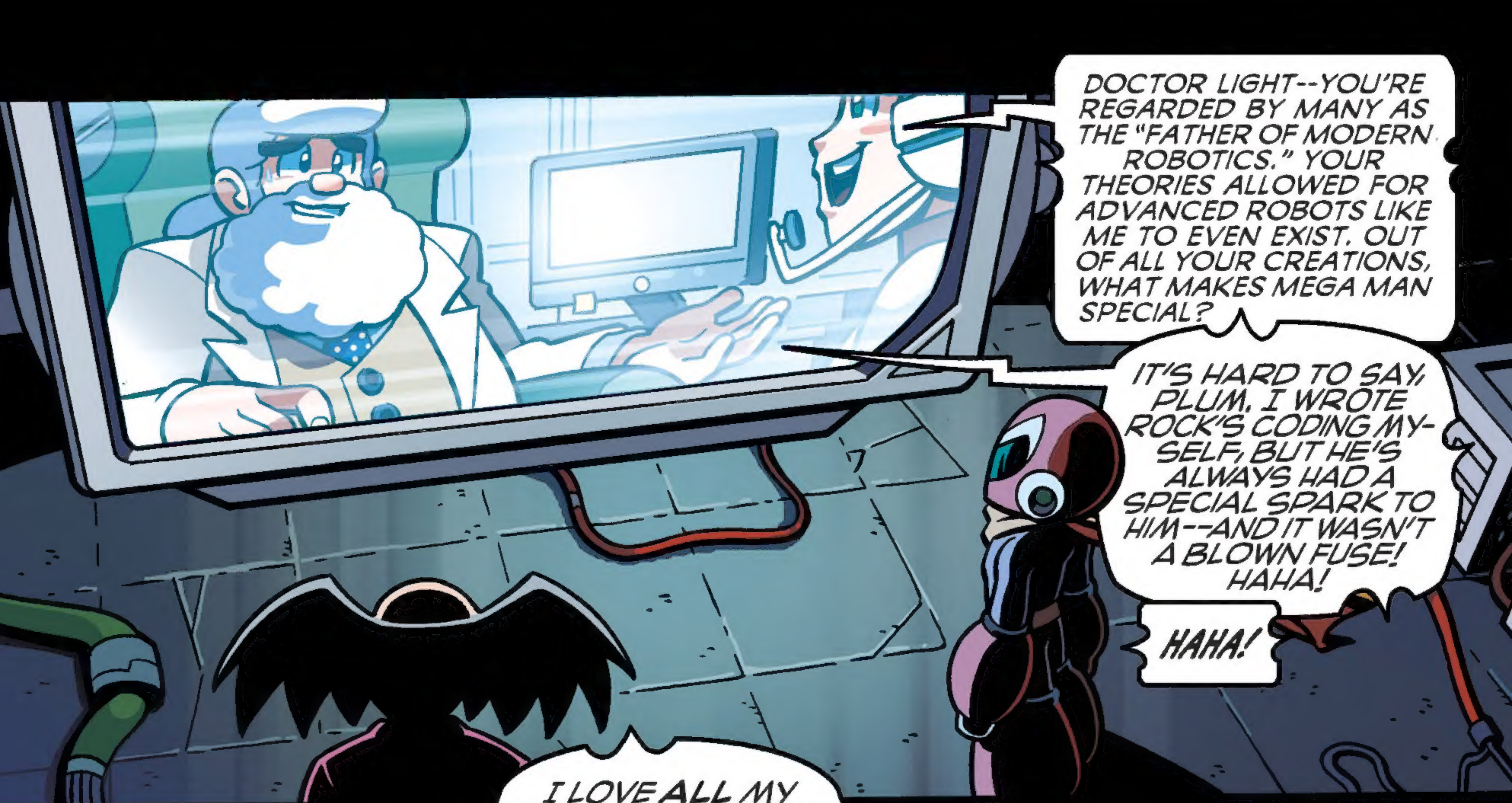
TRULY INSPIRA-
TIONAL! IF
ONLY EVERY-
ONE COULD
BE SO PURE-
HEARTED!

MOTHER
OF
TESLA,
THOMAS,
DOES HE
RUN ON
PURE
SUGAR?

BREAK
MAN!
FRONT
AND
CENTER!

SOMETHING
I THOUGHT
YOU OUGHT
TO SEE.

WE'LL BE
BRINGING YOU
FULL COVERAGE
OF THIS DAY-
LONG CELEBRA-
TION. EARLIER, WE
HAD A CHANCE
TO SIT DOWN WITH
MEGA MAN'S
CREATOR...
DR. LIGHT.



DOCTOR LIGHT--YOU'RE REGARDED BY MANY AS THE "FATHER OF MODERN ROBOTICS." YOUR THEORIES ALLOWED FOR ADVANCED ROBOTS LIKE ME TO EVEN EXIST. OUT OF ALL YOUR CREATIONS, WHAT MAKES MEGA MAN SPECIAL?

IT'S HARD TO SAY, PLUM, I WROTE ROCK'S CODING MYSELF, BUT HE'S ALWAYS HAD A SPECIAL SPARK TO HIM--AND IT WASN'T A BLOWN FUSE! HAHA!

HAHA!

I LOVE ALL MY CREATIONS, SO I'D FEEL BAD SAYING ONE IS ANY BETTER THAN THE REST, BUT HE TRULY IS SPECIAL, AND ALL HIS HARD WORK HONORS ME. HE'S THE KIND OF SON ANY MAN WOULD HOPE FOR.



I MUST SAY, I'M IMPRESSED, BREAK MAN. YOU'VE BEEN RECOVERING AND WORKING HERE SO DILIGENTLY. SO PATIENTLY.



MEANWHILE, THAT **REPLACEMENT** GETS PRAISE, PARTIES, AND ALL OF YOUR FATHER'S LOVE. I'D CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND IF YOU TOOK A BREAK FROM YOUR DUTIES HERE AND USED THE POWER I GAVE YOU TO GET A LITTLE WELL-DESERVED RETRIBUTION.

FINALLY, HE'S GONE! NO MORE MORALISTIC QUESTIONS FROM BREAK MAN, MEGA MAN'S BIG DAY IS RUINED, AND THEY'RE BOTH TOO BUSY TO BOTHER ME! PERFECT! I CAN'T HAVE ANYTHING INTERRUPT ME OR IVO RIGHT BEFORE WE LAUNCH, THE NEXT PHASE OF OUR LITTLE PLAN...

MEANWHILE--
DOWNTOWN...

I KNOW IT'S NOT YOUR
FUNCTION--BUT *THINK!*
WE'VE GOT TO GET HIM
SOMETHING FOR HIS
BIRTHDAY!

DON'T YELL
AT ME! YOU
SHOT DOWN ALL
MY IDEAS!

IT'S A
MUSICAL--
SIGH--
LOOK! WE
OWE HIM BIG
FOR RESCU-
ING US FROM
WILY. HE NEEDS
SOMETHING
GREAT!
GRAND!
SOMETHING
FLASHY!
SOMETHING
OVER-THE-
TOP!

"BIG
ROCK" AND
"BIGGER ROCK"
ARE *NOT*
GOOD
IDEAS!

HIS NAME
IS "ROCK,"
ISN'T IT?

HEY,
GUYS!



HOW'S THIS
FOR "OVER-
THE-TOP"? EH?
EH? STYLISH,
RIGHT? GOTTA
LOVE THE
TRIM!

WHY
DID YOU
BRING HIM
ALONG
AGAIN?



I TRIED TO GET ICE MAN TO
TAKE HIM OFF MY HANDS,
BUT HE WON'T ANSWER MY
CALLS. HE CARES MORE
ABOUT GLACIERS...



...THAN
HIS OWN
BROTHERS, I
TELL YA...*

OH,
COME ON,
GUYS! GUYS?
GUYS?



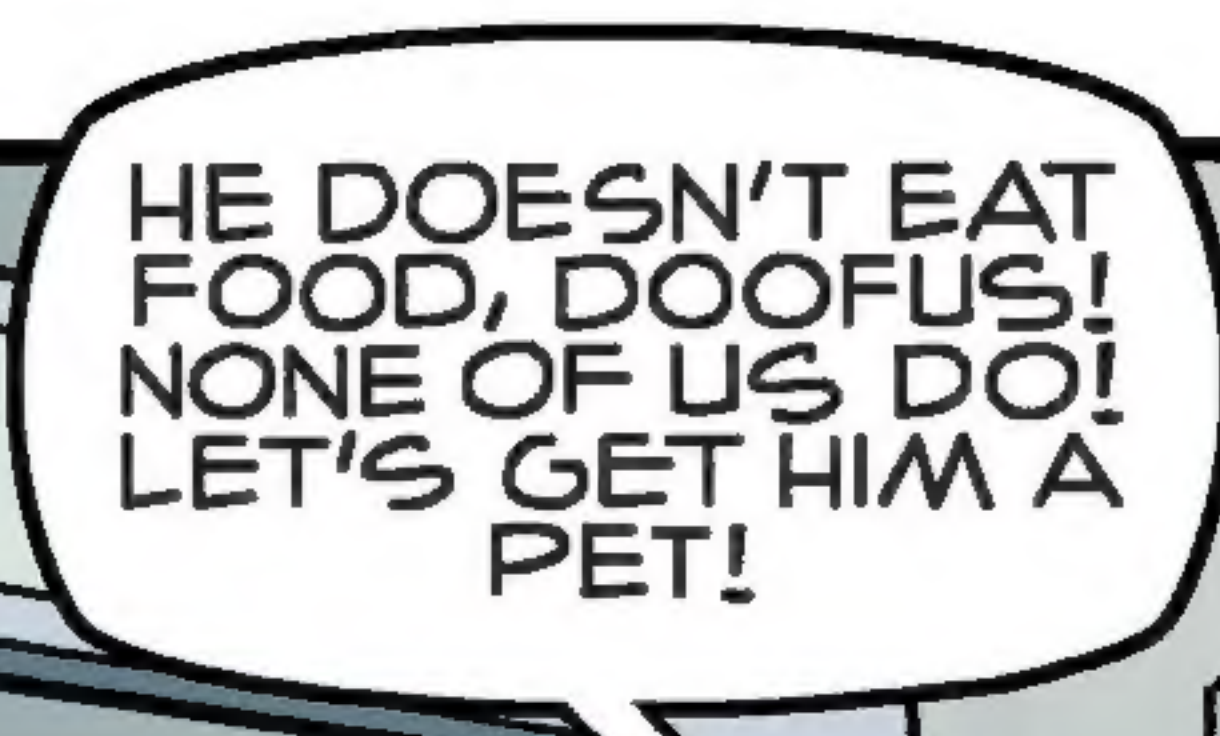
FIREWORKS!
HOW ABOUT
FIREWORKS?



WHY?
HIS ARM IS A
CANNON!



WHAT
ABOUT A FOOD
PROCESSOR?



HE DOESN'T EAT
FOOD, DOOFUS!
NONE OF US DO!
LET'S GET HIM A
PET!



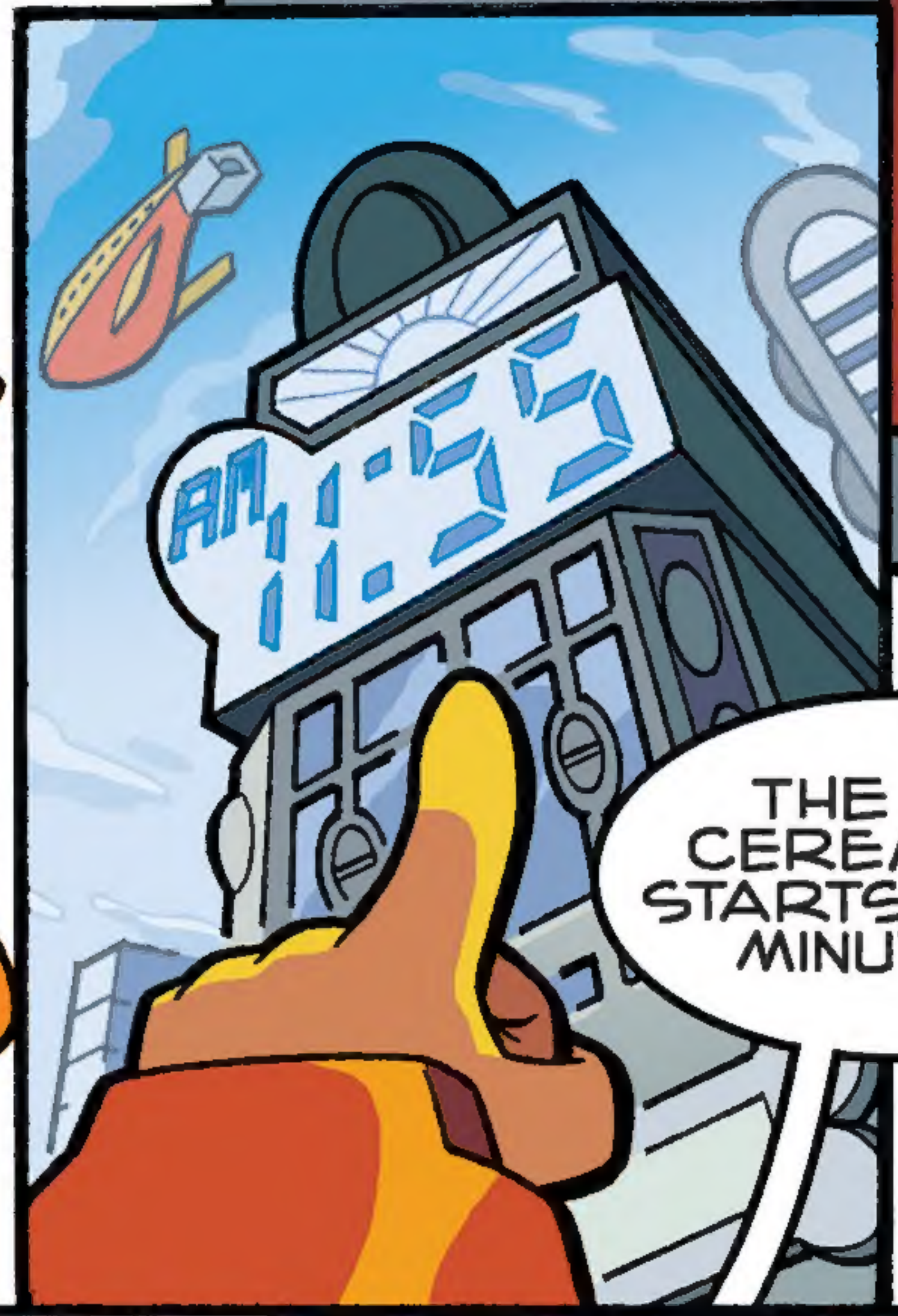
HE'S ALREADY
GOT A DOG THAT
TURNS INTO A
ROCKET-BOARD!



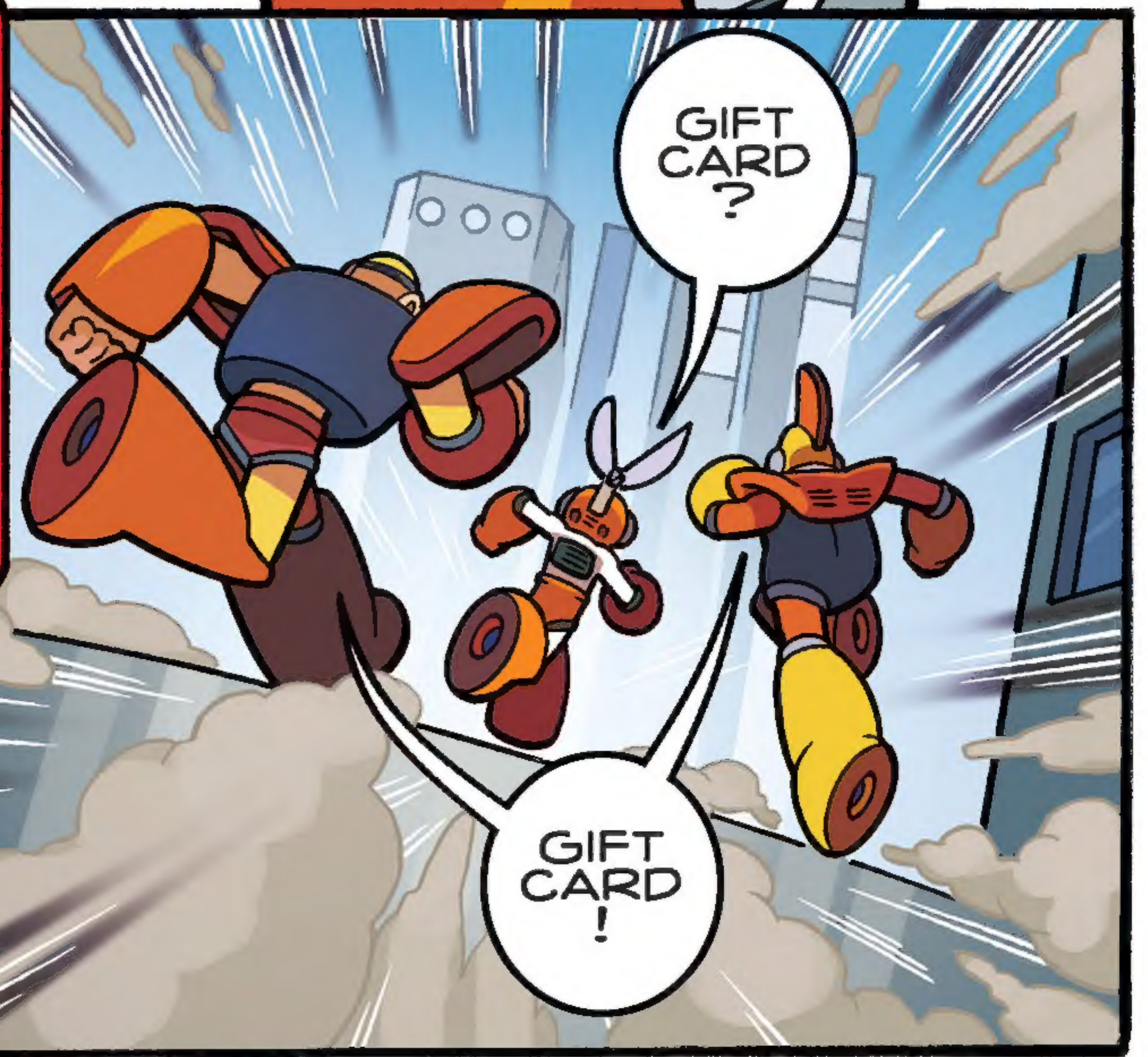
WELL, I DON'T
HEAR YOU
COMING UP WITH
ANYTHING
BETTER!



UH...
GUYS?



THE BIG
CEREMONY
STARTS IN FIVE
MINUTES!



GIFT
CARD
?



GIFT
CARD
!

WELCOME, EVERYONE!
I'M SURE I CAN GET ALL
OF YOU TO JOIN ME IN
GIVING A BIG "HAPPY
BIRTHDAY" TO OUR HERO
AND MY PERSONAL FRIEND
--MEGA MAN! THREE--
TWO--ONE--!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

EXCELLENT!
I GOTTA
KEEP THAT
TRICK IN MIND
WHEN I'M
UP FOR RE-
ELECTION!

HAHAHA!

HEH HEH
...GOOD ONE,
MR. MAYOR.

I WAKE UP EVERY MORN-
ING THINKING, "WOW! I'M
HONORED TO BE MAYOR
OF THIS CITY," AND THEN I
THINK, "WOW! I'M EVEN
MORE HONORED THAT MEGA
MAN--OUR TRUE BLUE
HERO--WAS BUILT RIGHT
HERE IN MY CITY!" SO, AS
I WAS PLANNING THIS CELE-
BRATION FOR MY FAVORITE
ROBOT HERO, I WAS
STRUCK BY AN IDEA!

AND DO YOU KNOW
WHAT MY IDEA WAS?

UH... DID
IT START WITH
"WOW"?

THAT'S
RIGHT!
I THOUGHT,
"WOW! THIS IS
MY CITY! IT HAS
MY HERO! LET'S
SYNERGIZE
THAT!" SO TODAY
I--MAYOR
LEONARD
DORADO--DO
DECLARE THAT
THIS CITY IS RE-
NAMED **MEGA
CITY!**

YAAAAAY!

AND TO COMMEMORATE THIS MOMENTOUS DAY IN MY BELOVED MEGA CITY, I HEREBY OFFER THE KEY TO THE CITY TO MY BESTEST ROBOT PAL-- MEGA MAN!

CONGRATULATIONS! TELL DR. LIGHT TO "VOTE DORADO!"

HEH HEH, AH, THANKS, MR. MAYOR. I'LL--

WHAT THE--?

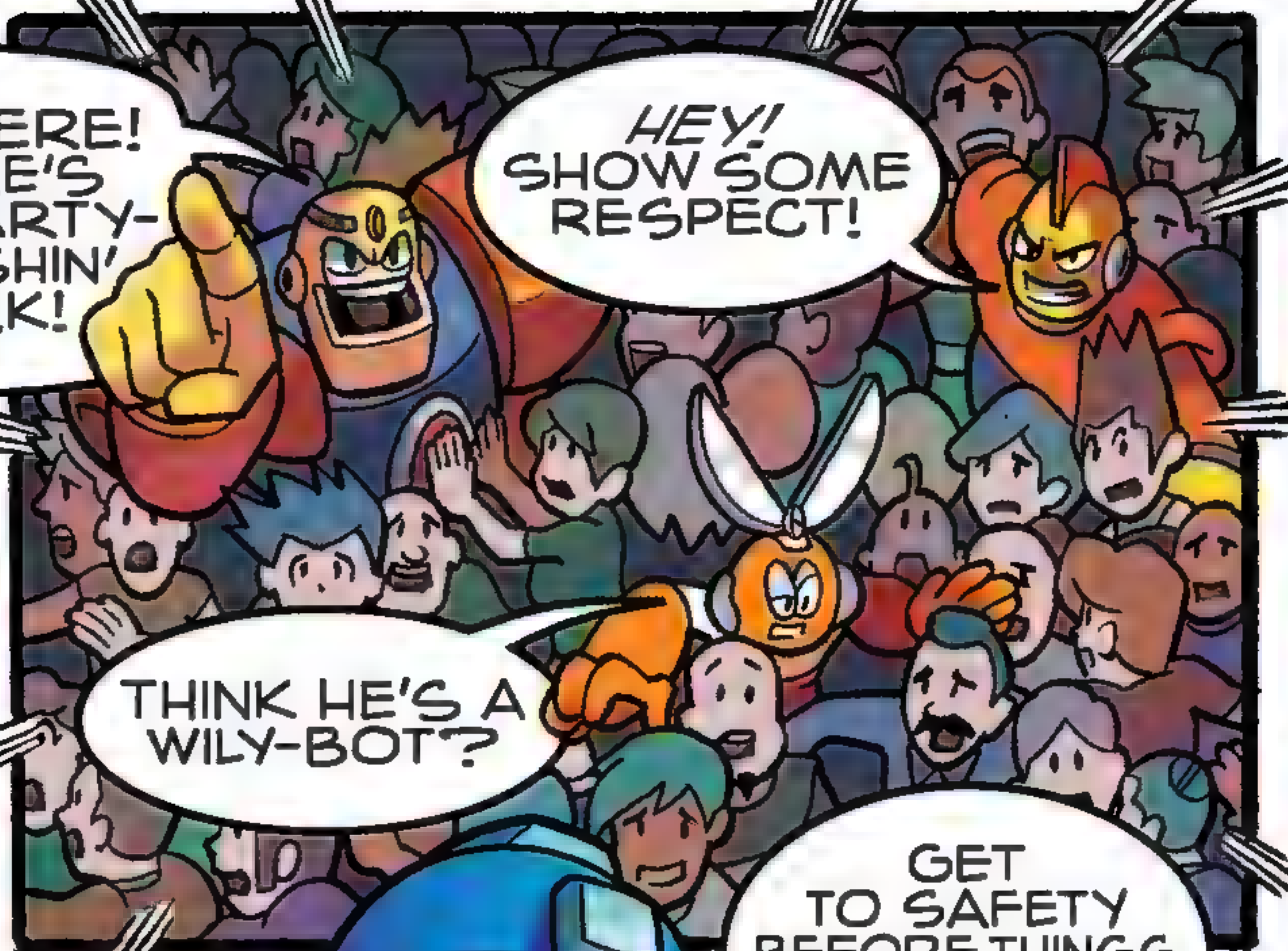
I'LL PROTECT YOU!





...BLUES?...

UP THERE!
THERE'S
THE PARTY-
CRASHIN'
JERK!



HEY!
SHOW SOME
RESPECT!

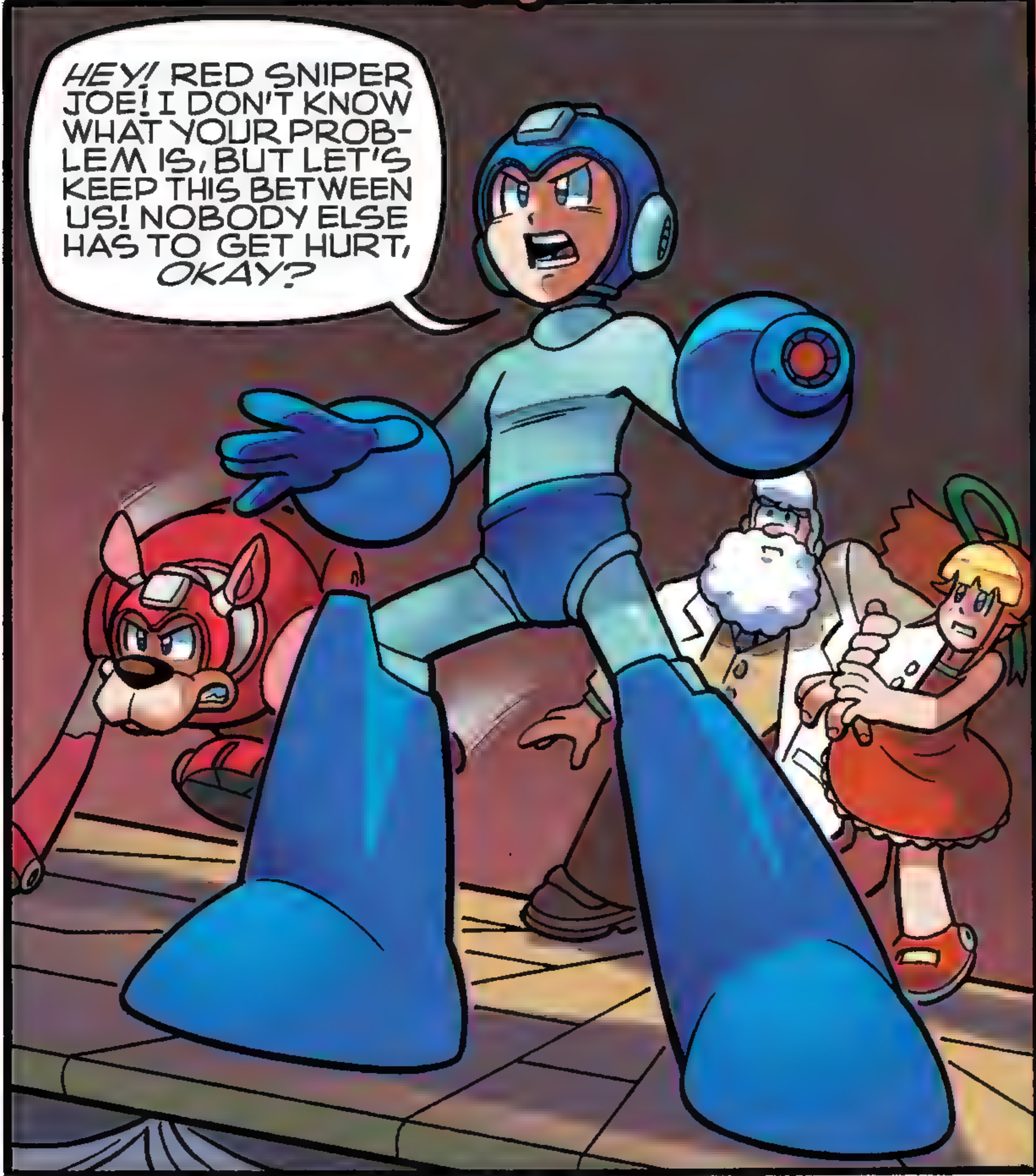
THINK HE'S A
WILY-BOT?



GET
TO SAFETY
BEFORE THINGS
ESCALATE,
SIR!

YOU
GOT IT!
THANKS,
MEGA
MAN!

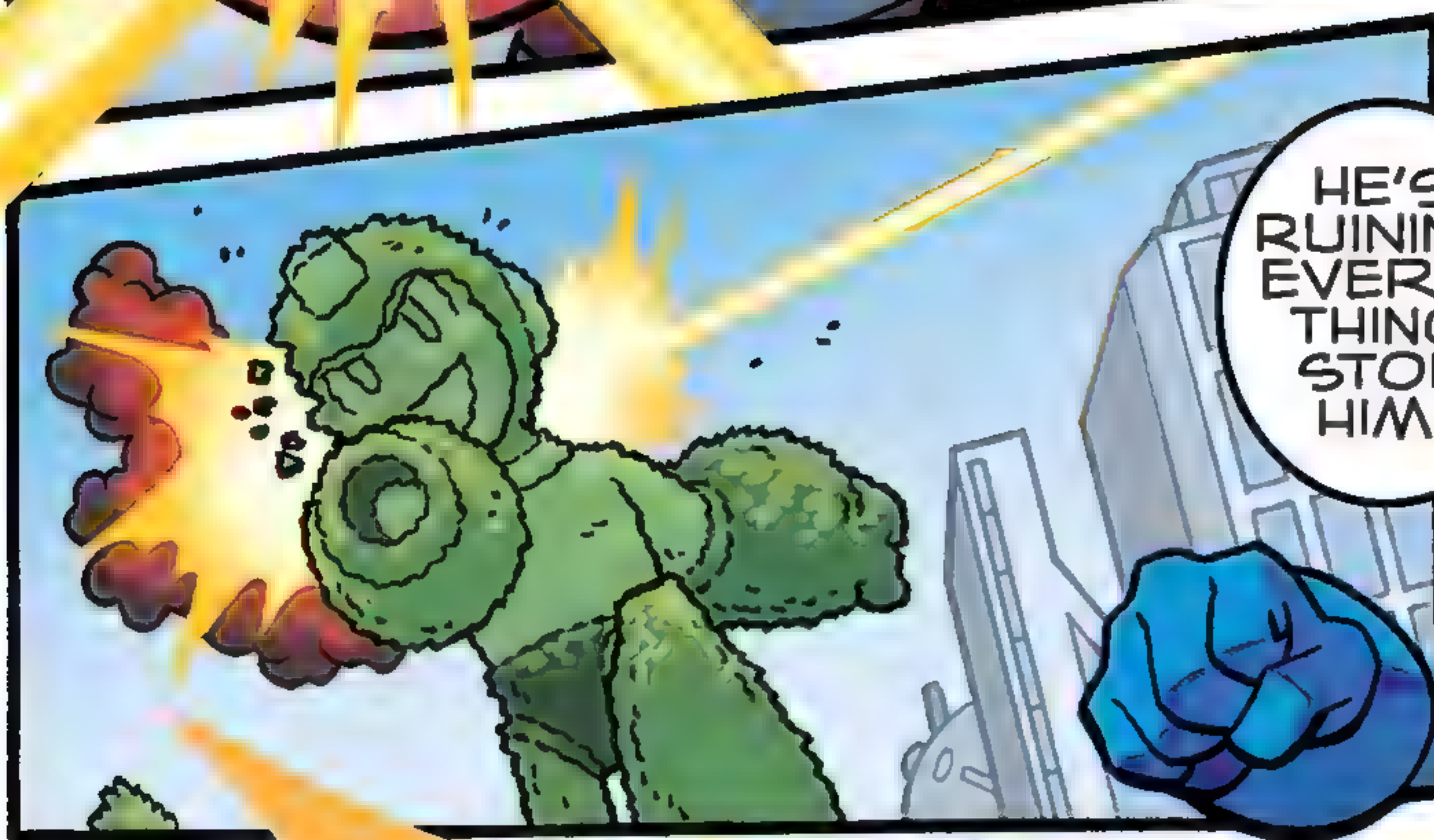
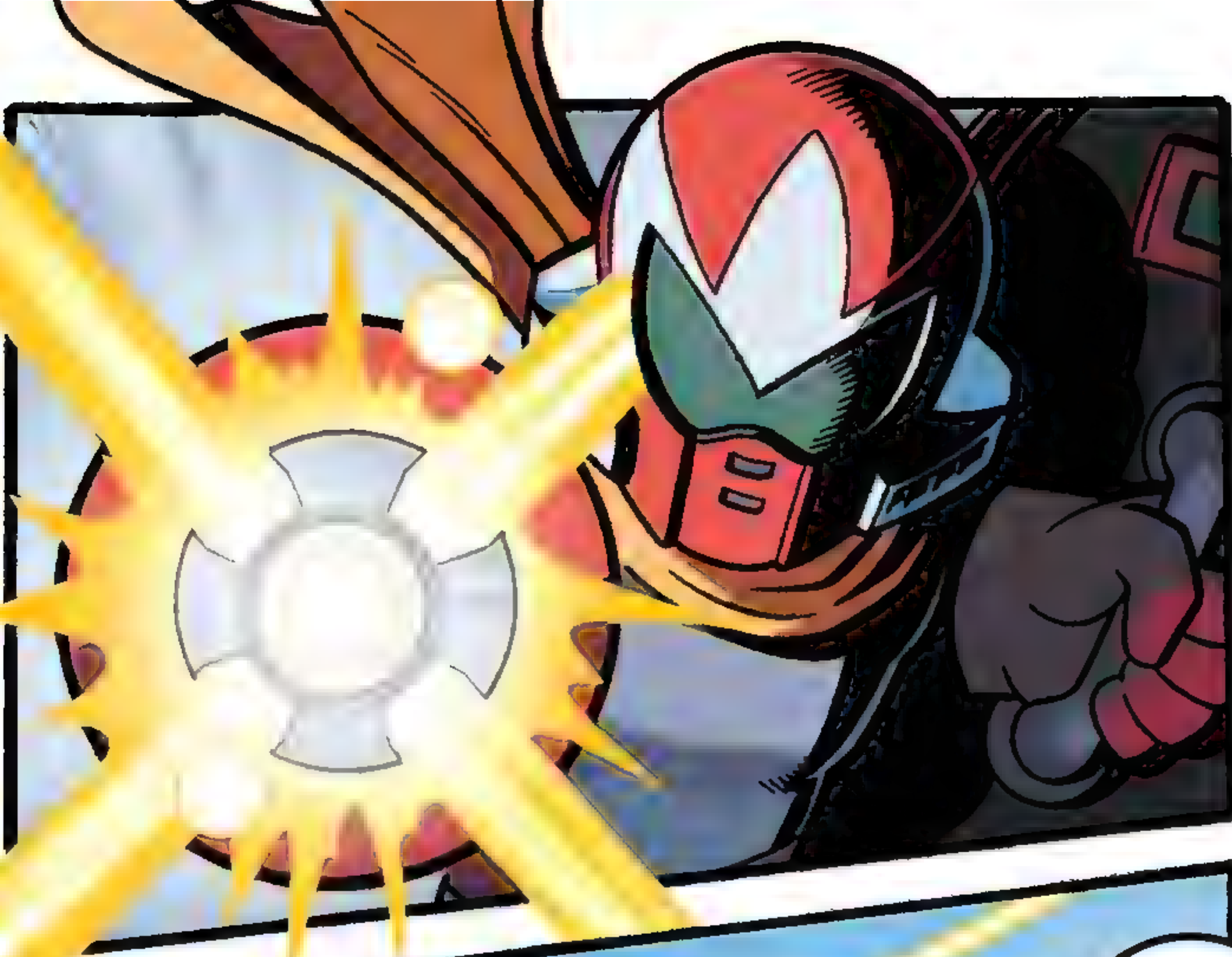
(LET'S DO
LUNCH LATER,
OKAY?)



HEY! RED SNIPER
JOE! I DON'T KNOW
WHAT YOUR PROBLEM
IS, BUT LET'S
KEEP THIS BETWEEN
US! NOBODY ELSE
HAS TO GET HURT,
OKAY?



WE MIGHT EVEN
BE ABLE TO TALK
THIS OUT. COME
ON DOWN. I
PROMISE NOT
TO SHOOT.

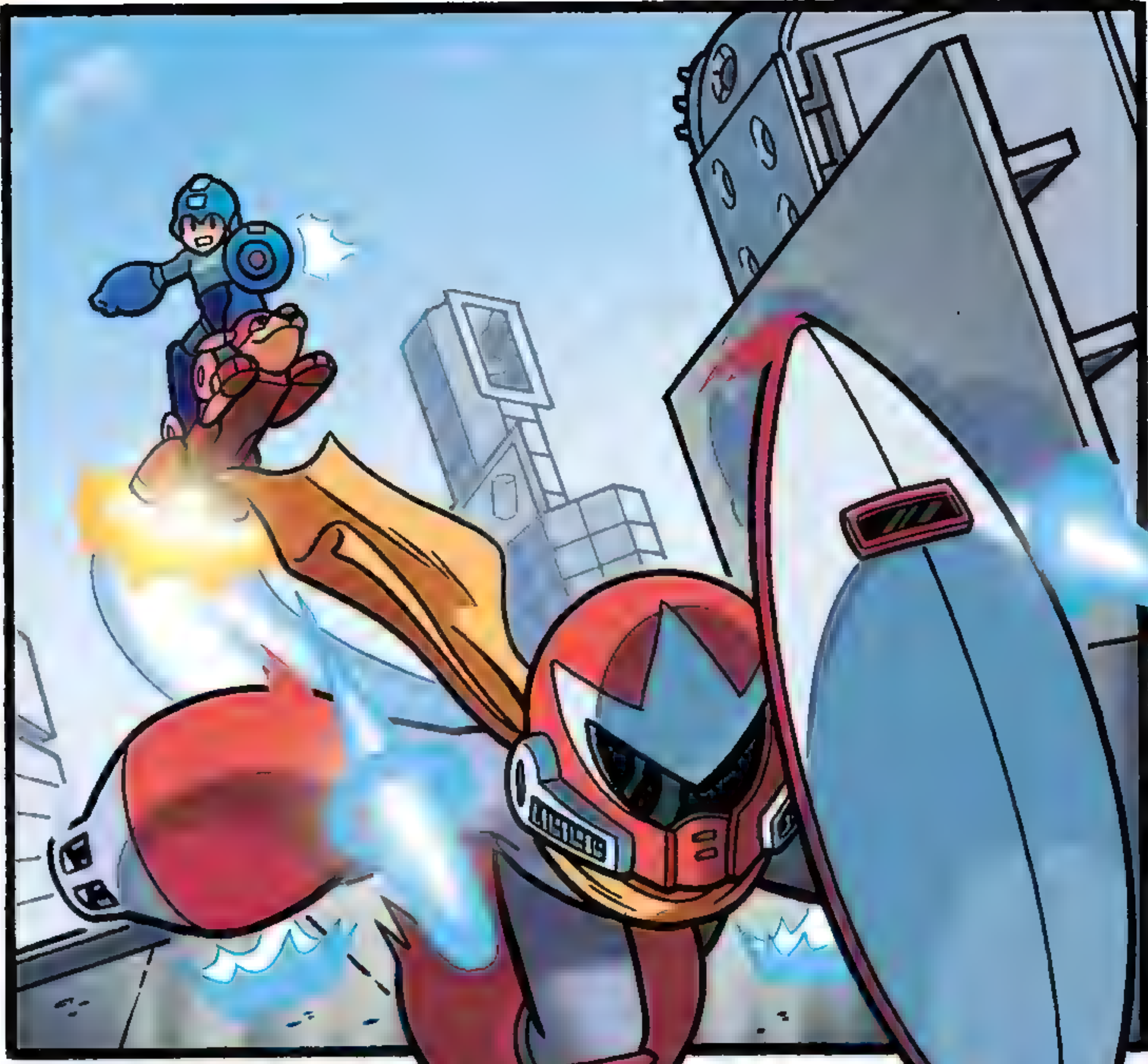


HE'S RUINING EVERYTHING! STOP HIM!

THEN WE POUND THAT GUY TO SCRAP!

I TOLD YOU TO LEAVE THE PEOPLE ALONE! NOW YOU'RE IN FOR IT!





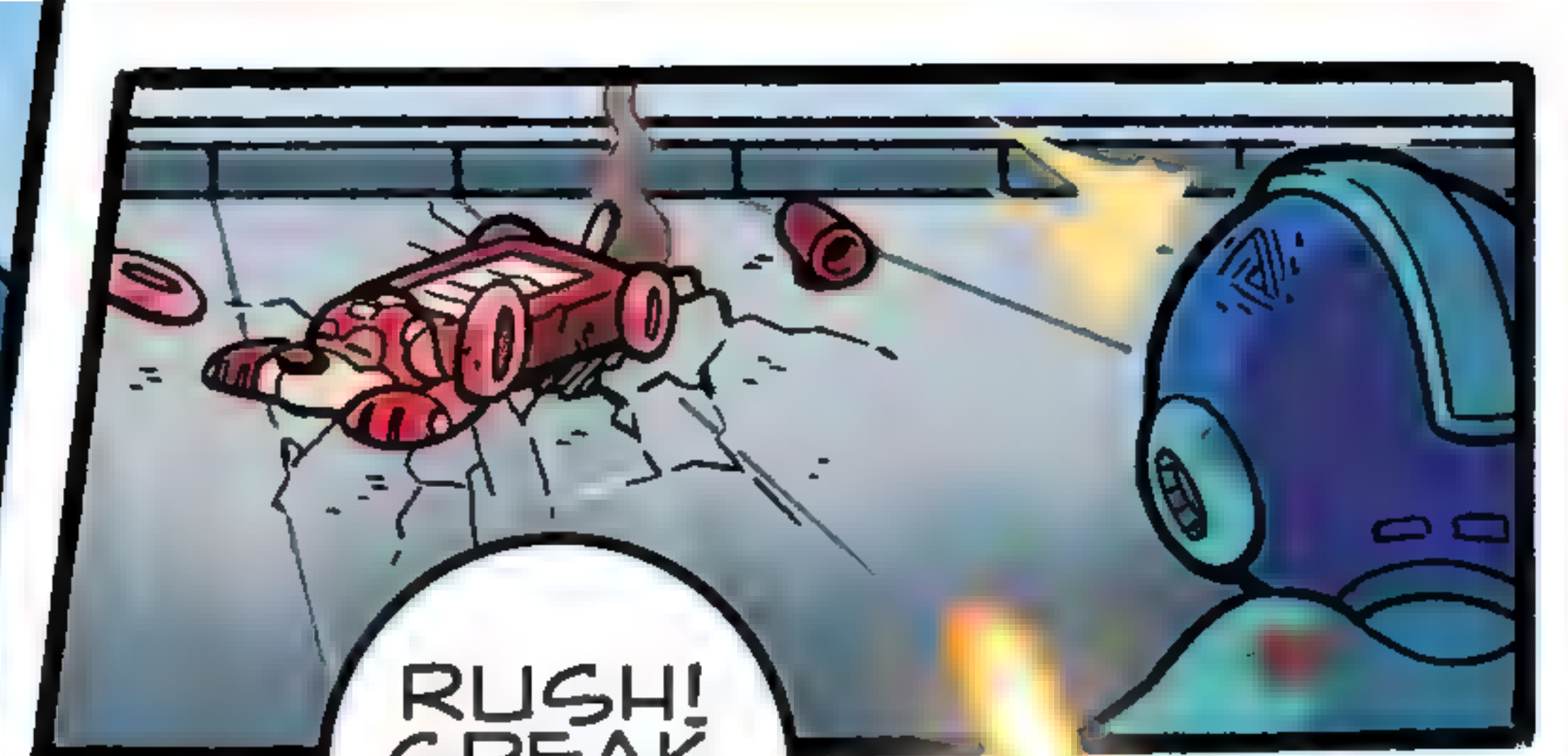
YIPE!



RUSH!



THANKS



RUSH!
SPEAK
TO ME,
BOY!



WHIIII
IIINE...

HANG IN
THERE,
BUDDY. I'LL
TELEPORT
YOU BACK TO
THE LAB,
AND...



AUGH!



LOOK, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT, I'LL FIGHT YOU!

JUST LET ME TAKE CARE OF MY DOG!



...



YOU TAKE CARE OF RUSH, MISTER ROCK. WE'LL CUT IN FOR NOW.

CUT MAN? DON'T EVEN START, BUD.

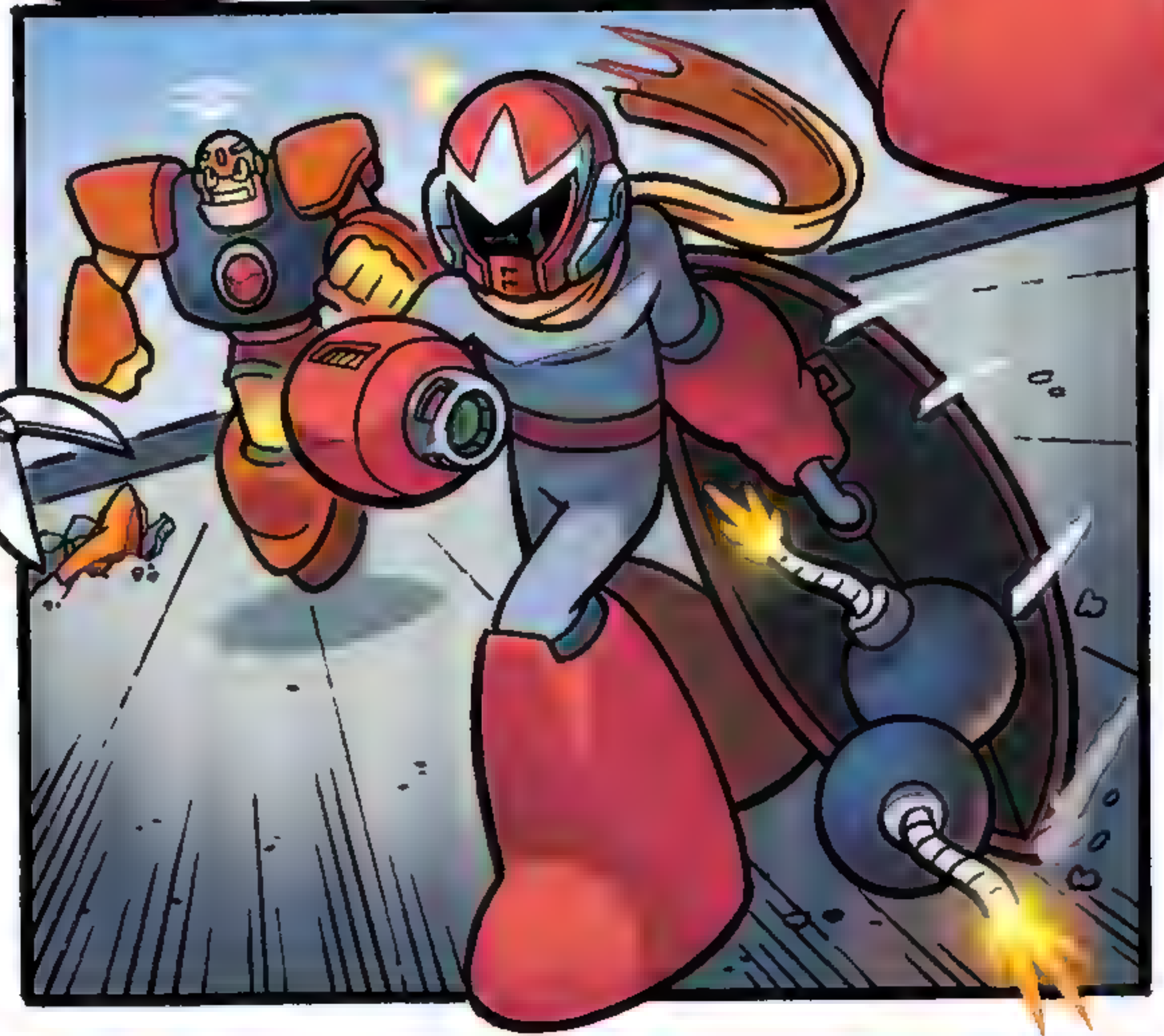
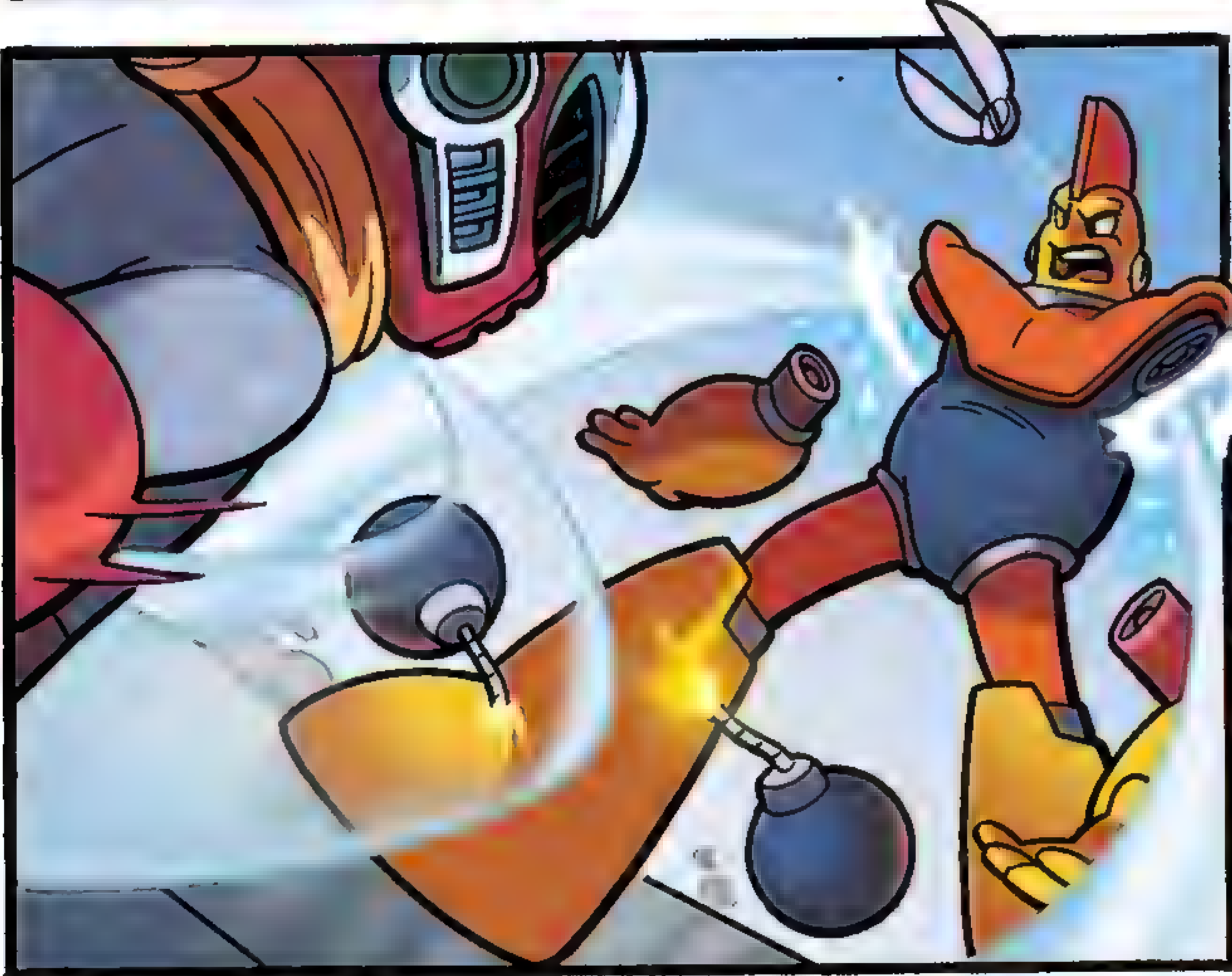
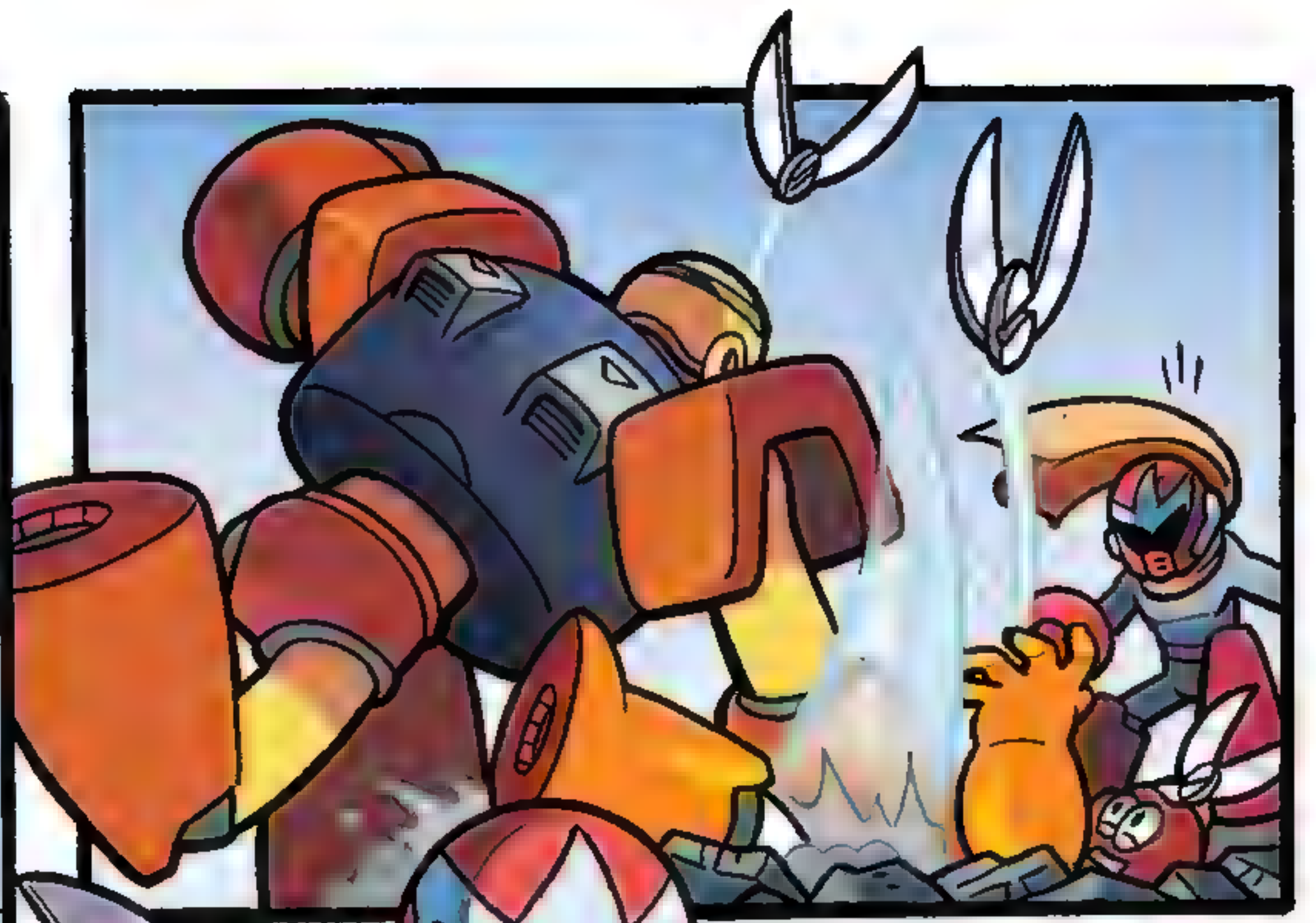


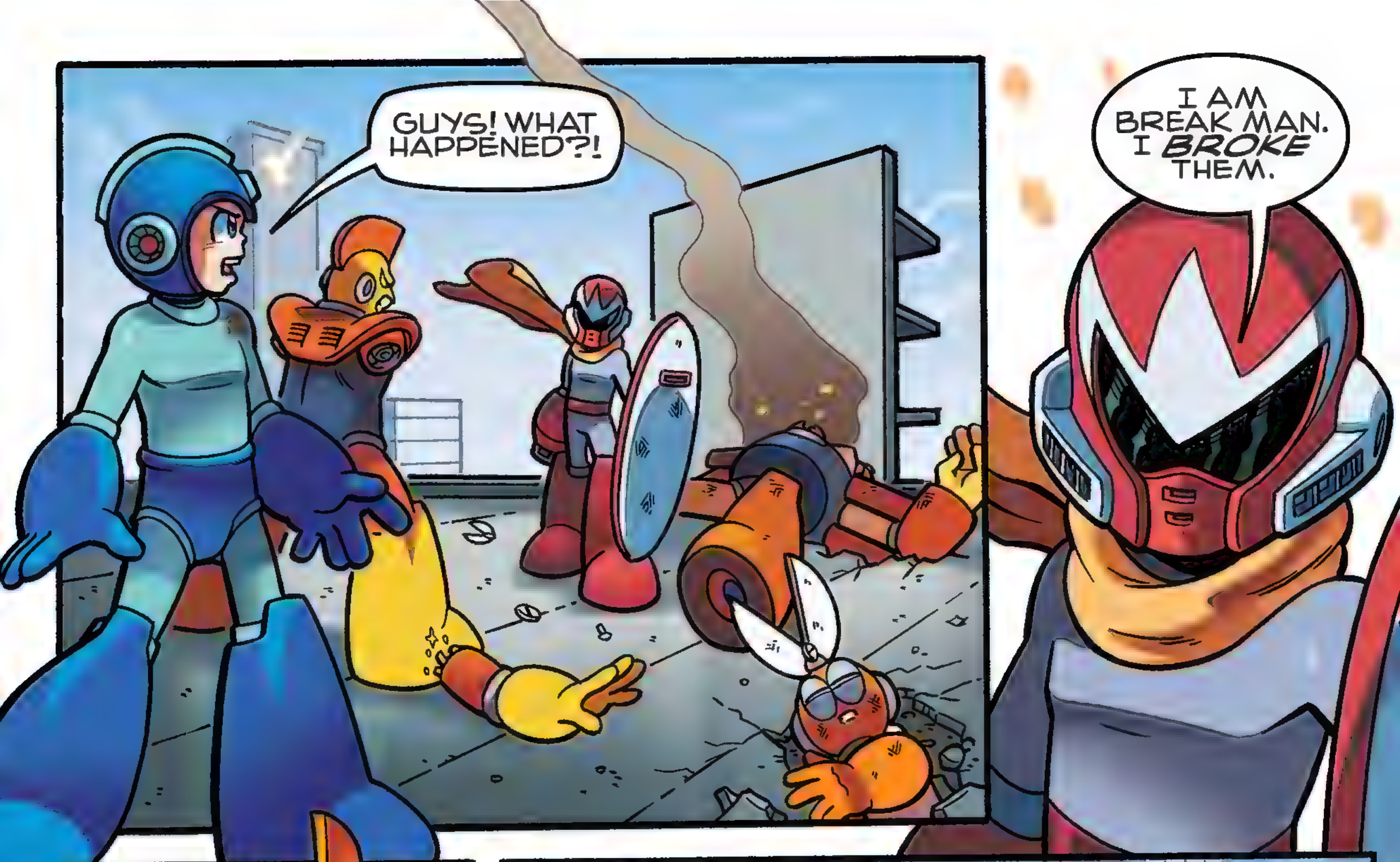
DIBS!



GAH!

YOUR TRANSPONDER IS FRIED. GIVE ME JUST A SECOND, BOY...





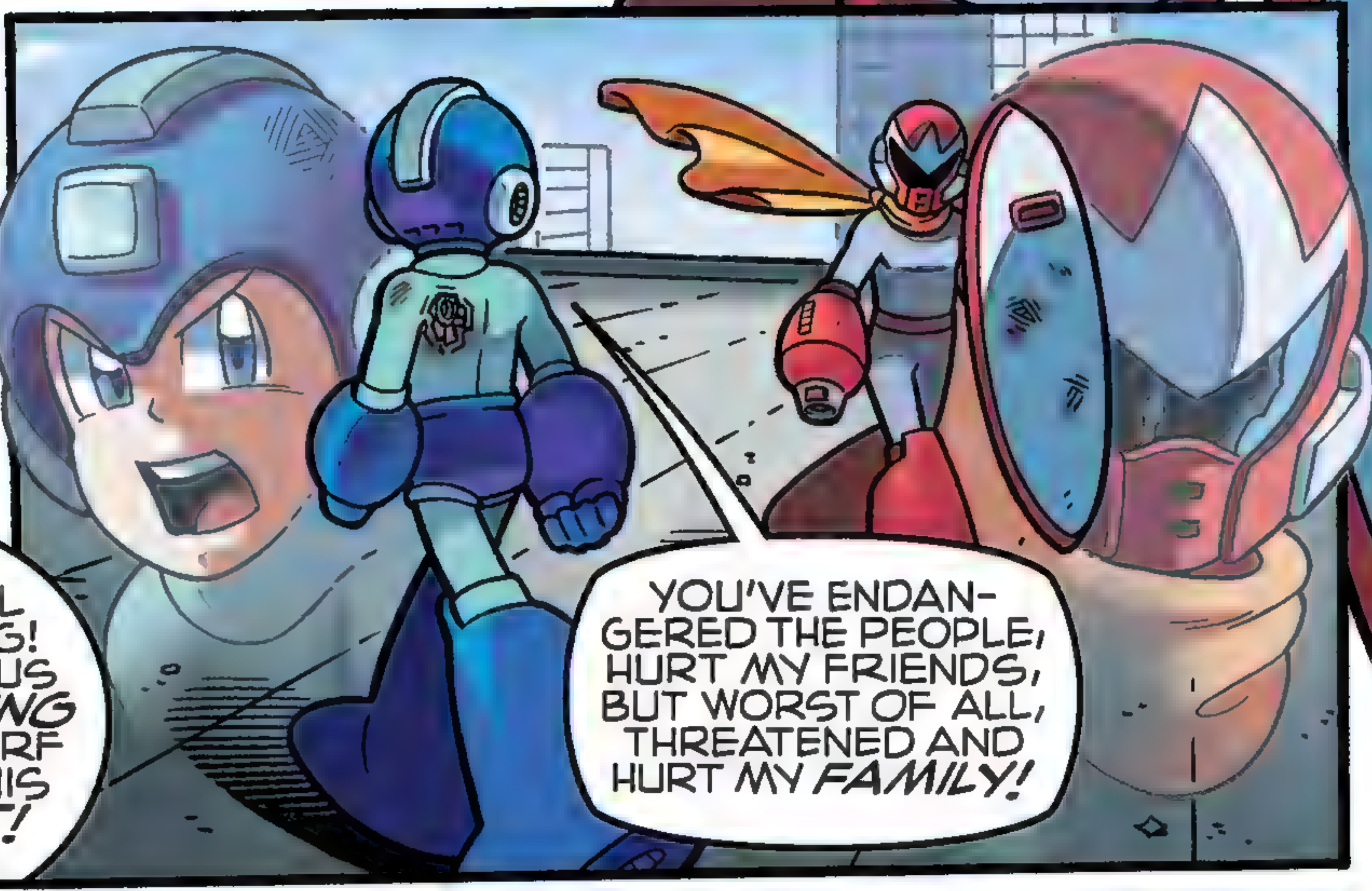
GUYS! WHAT HAPPENED?!

I AM BREAK MAN. I **BROKE** THEM.



I'LL COVER YOU. YOU GO CALL FOR HELP.

I'M STILL STANDING! YOU FOCUS ON **SHOVING** THAT SCARF DOWN HIS THROAT!



YOU'VE ENDANGERED THE PEOPLE, HURT MY FRIENDS, BUT WORST OF ALL, THREATENED AND HURT MY FAMILY!



NO SENSE IN HOLDING BACK--YOU OBVIOUSLY DON'T CARE ABOUT ANY-ONE!





C'MON!
I NEED YOU
ONLINE!

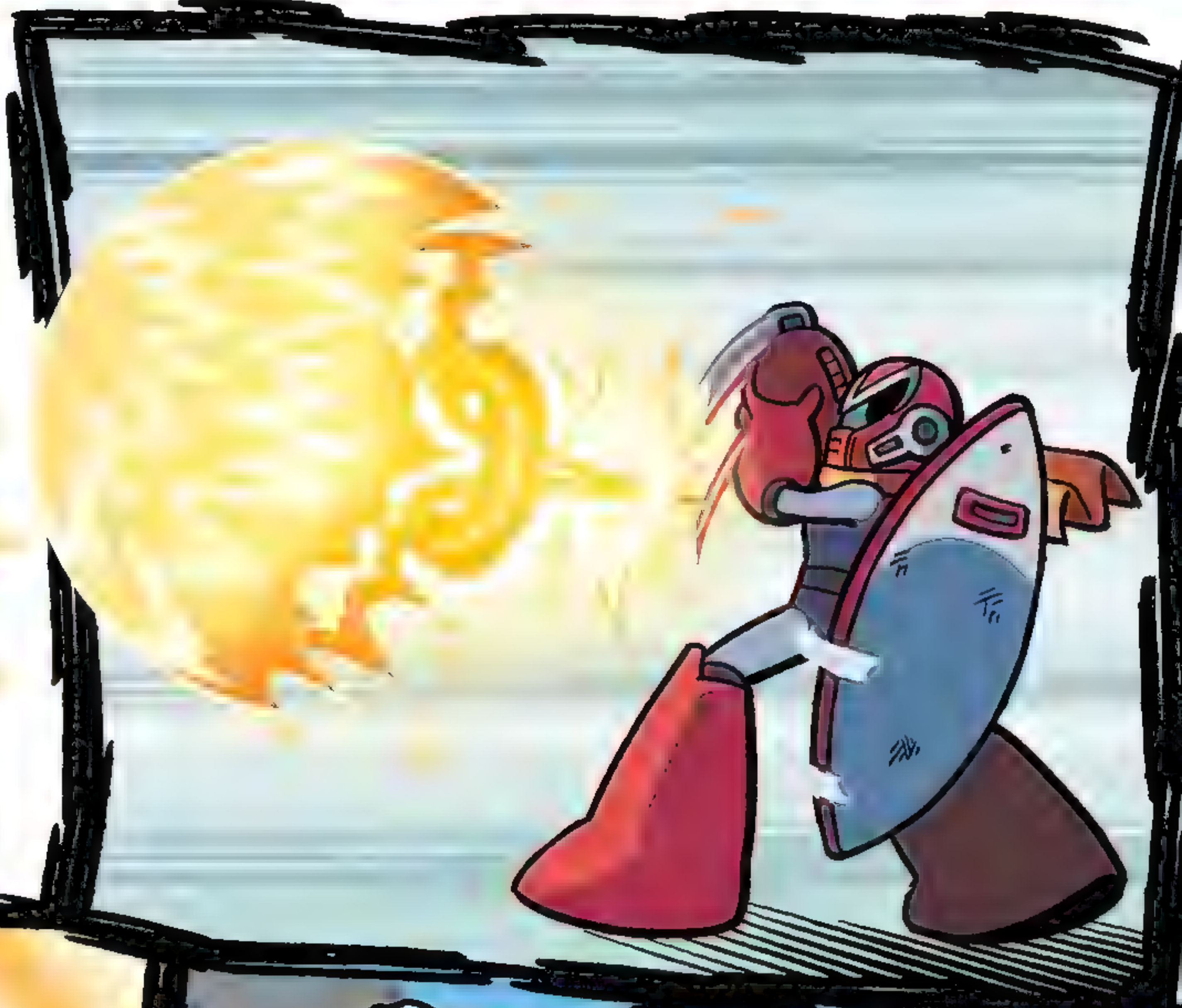
HEH HEH
...SO YOU'RE
SHORT-HANDED
NOW THAT
YOU'VE BEEN
DISARMED?

GET UP,
OR I'LL
BOOT YOU
OFF THE
ROOF!

AMAZON
JUNGLE...

HAHAHA!
I'M HAPPY
BIRTHDAY,
MEGA BRAT!
AND WHILE
YOU'RE BUSY
THERE...

...I'M OFF TO
ENACT MY *BEST*
PLAN EVER WITH
THE HELP OF MY
NEW BEST FRIEND.
HA HA HA!



AUGH!

→KOFF!
SO...SO...
THAT'S WHAT
THAT FEELS
LIKE...





YOU WIN... JUST ... JUST DON'T HIT MY I.C. CHIP.* YOU CAN BREAK ME, JUST...

* INTEGRATED CIRCUIT-- SOURCE OF A ROBOT'S PERSONALITY.



WELCOME INTO THE WORLD, MY BOY!

...JUST DON'T BREAK MY DAD'S HEART.

...NEVER SHOULD'VE PUT YOU IN HARM'S WAY. I'LL FIX YOU UP, GOOD AS NEW, I PROMISE...



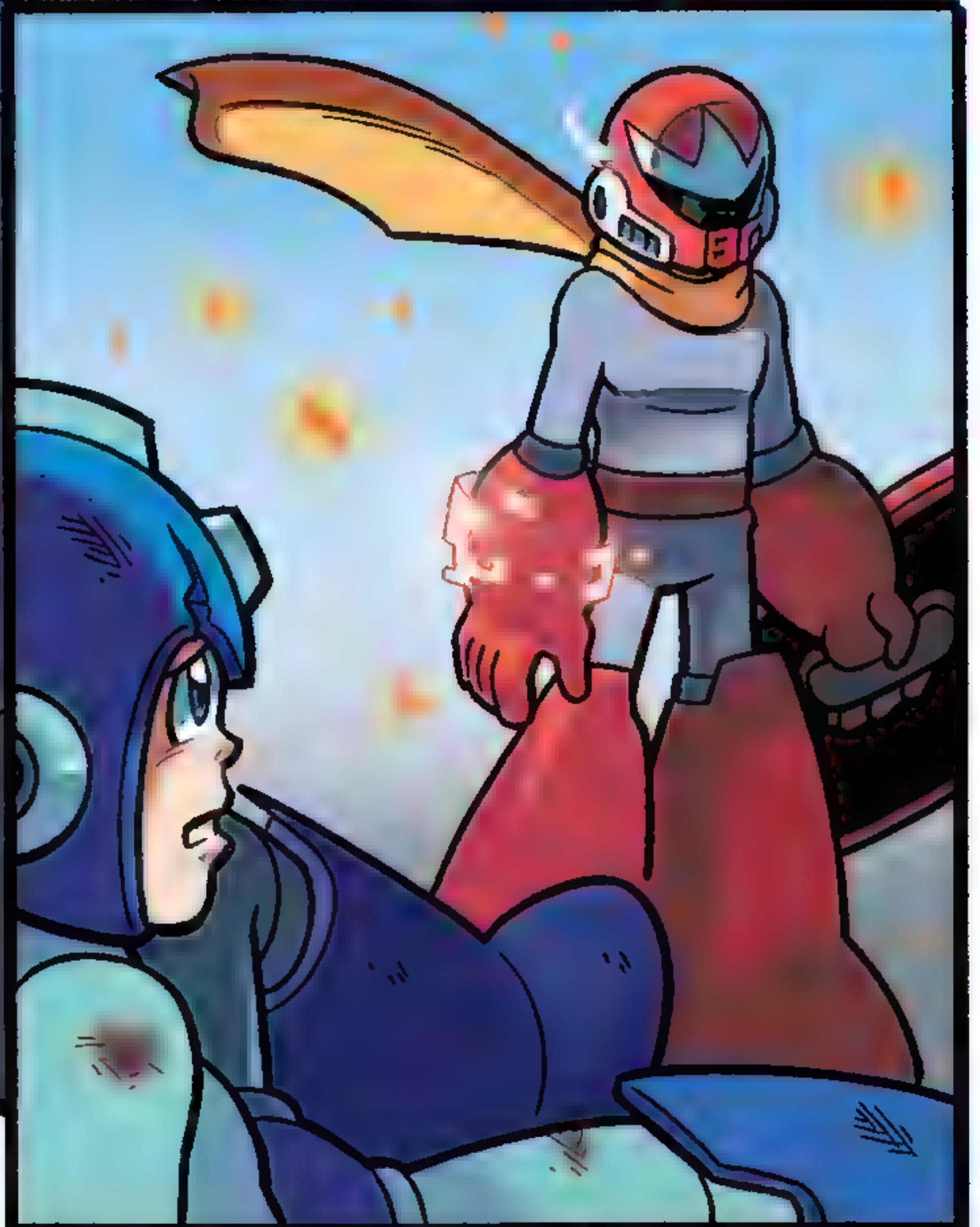
I WAS JUST ENJOYING THE TUNE YOU WERE WHISTLING.

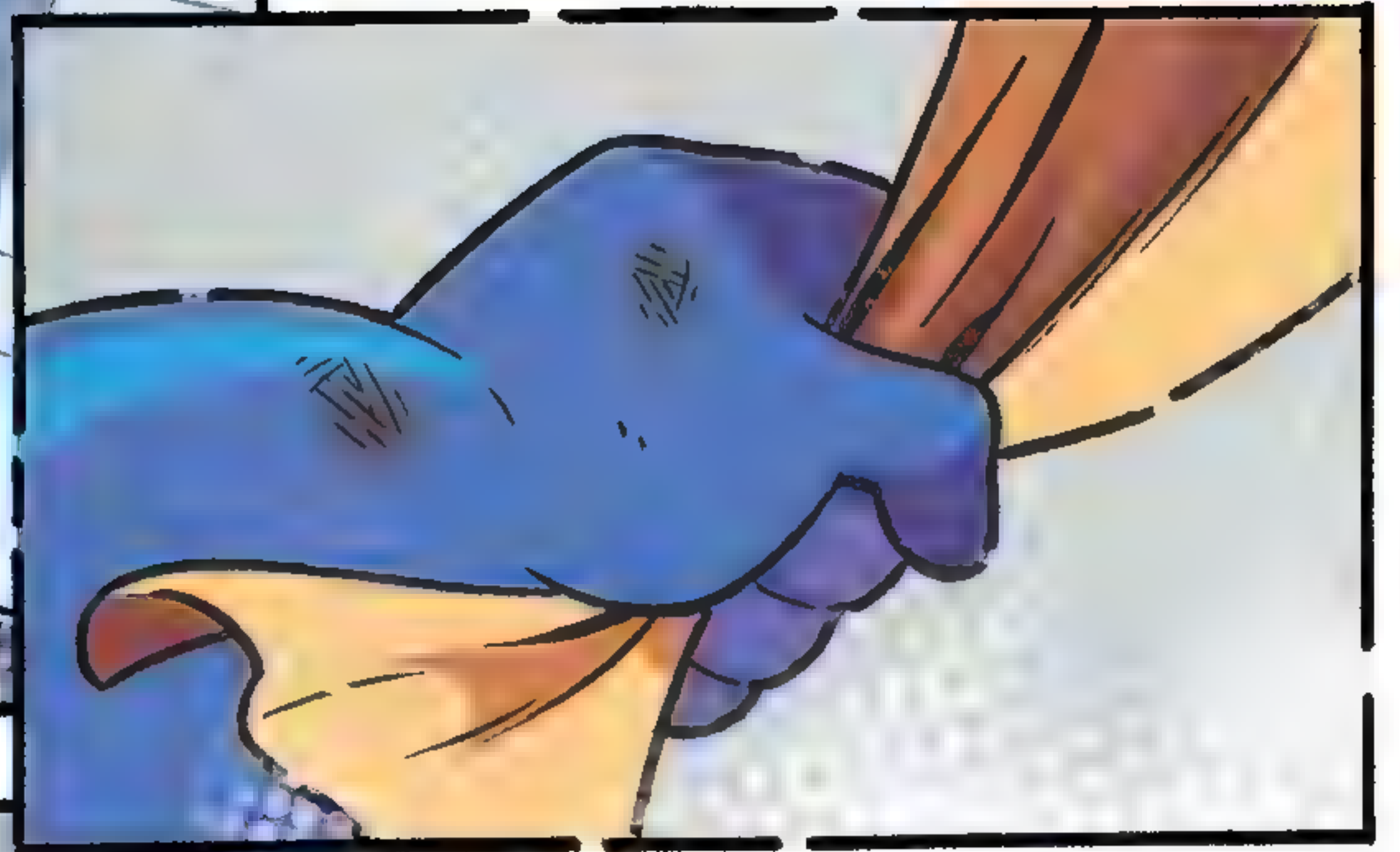


SEE MEGA MAN 17-18 FOR THE COMPLETE SAGA OF BREAK MAN -- EDITOR



HE'S THE KIND OF SON ANY MAN WOULD HOPE FOR.





AFTER ALL THE DAMAGE YOU'VE DONE, YOU'RE JUST GONNA LEAVE? OH, NO, YOU DON'T! YOU'RE NOT JUST SOME SNIPER JOE! LET'S SEE WHO'S UNDER THE HELMET!



WH-WHAT'S GOING ON?!

TIME'S UP, MEGA MAN! The CROSSOVER EVENT is HERE!
Come back NEXT TIME for PART ONE of the EPIC EVENT
as MEGA MAN meets SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!
Until then, check out the
MEGA MAN GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY!



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ATTENTION READERS!

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MEGA MAN HERE, WITH A PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE FINE FOLKS AT ARCHIE COMICS.

Next issue, Sonic the Hedgehog and Mega Man™ meet for the first time EVER in the twelve-part crossover epic event called "WORLDS COLLIDE."

So I'm calling upon all you awesome readers out there to be honorary members of the Light Brigade! The Light Brigade is charged with spreading the word about the SONIC and MEGA MAN™: WORLDS COLLIDE story! Tell your friends, tell your family, tell your mom, tell your dad, tell your dog, tell your cat, tell your teacher, tell your sandwich, tell your doctor, tell your goldfish, tell your classmates, tell your cousins – tell ANYONE that will listen, that this Sonic/Mega Man crossover event is gonna be EPIC and they should all join the fun!

Where can everyone read this amazing story?

- Your local comic store, starting on April 10th with part one in Mega Man #24!
 - Other fine retailers like bookstores and super markets for the issues starting the week of April 16th!
- (If these stores don't carry Archie Action Comics, use your Light Brigade powers to tell the manager that he or she should order them!)
- Download the issues to your smart phone using the Mega Man Comics App, Sonic Comics App, Archie App, Comixology App or ComicsPlus App!
 - Subscribe to all three titles @ archiecomics.com for one low price!

So, fellow light-brigadiers, please place your right hand on this comic book and repeat after me:

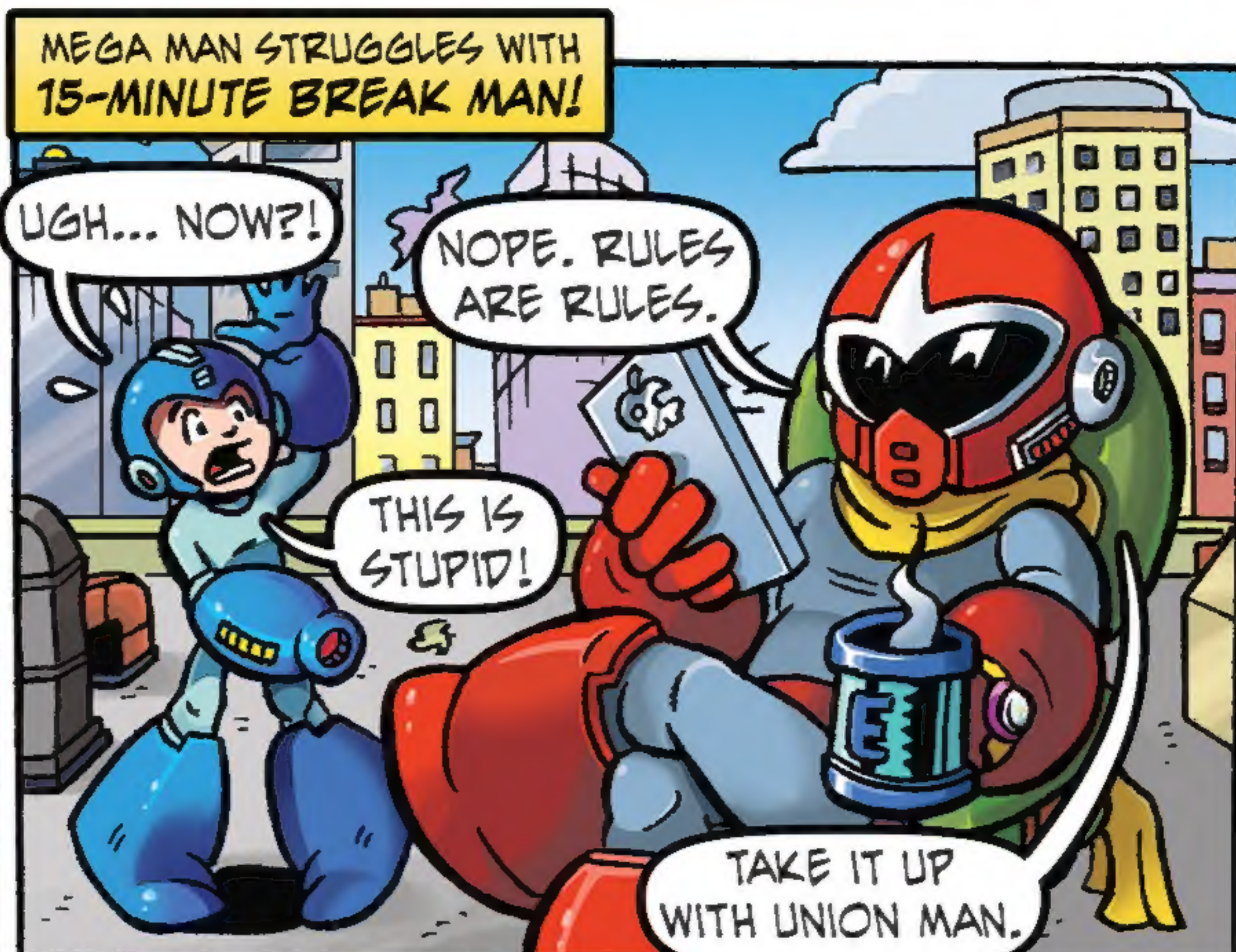
I, _____, do solemnly
 (your name)
 swear, to spread the word of the Sonic/
 Mega Man crossover, until everyone in the
 entire world knows of the awesomeness
 that is "Worlds Collide," or until Dr. Eggman
 and Dr. Wily take over the world with their
 dastardly schemes and outlaw reading.



HEY KIDS! THINK YOU CAN MAKE THE CUT? YOU'LL LOOK SO SHARP WITH YOUR OFFICIAL LIGHT BRIGADE BADGE!

- SHORT CIRCUITS -

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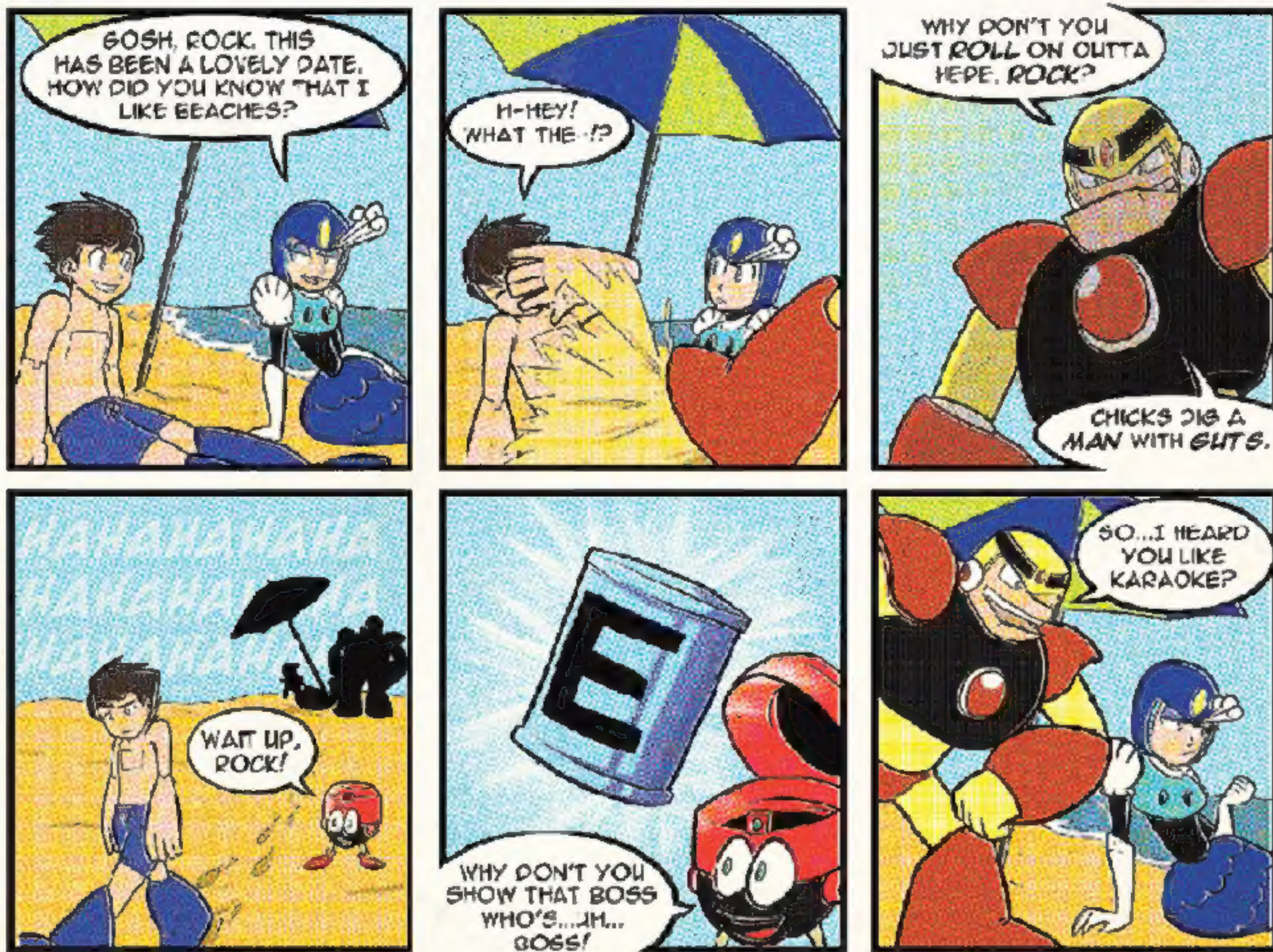
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NEXT ISSUE



**IT ALL STARTS IN
MEGA MAN 24!**

SEE YOU NEXT MONTH FOR WORLDS COLLIDE PART ONE!